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## THE WEATHER

Western Oregon—Fair except possibly showers in extreme northwest portion; warmer.

Western Washington—Fair, except showers near coast; warmer.

Eastern Oregon, Eastern Washington and Idaho—Fair and warmer.

## THE STATE CONVENTION.

The word is at hand that the State Republican Central Committee, at the instance of Chairman G. A. Westgate, has been called together for Friday, one week from tomorrow, at Portland, for the purpose of apportioning the delegates to the State convention of Republicans, which is to assemble at the metropolis some time in May.

No one seems to know just what the State convention is to do, aside from framing the party platform, the naming of delegates, and alternates, to the National convention of the party at Chicago on June 16, and the selecting of four Presidential electors; but these essential duties, with the usual trimmings, will give ample opportunity for the indispensable pyrotechnics dear to the partisan heart and lend color and impress to a function that is gradually losing its old-time luster and significance.

Year by year, by part and parcel, the old standards are being replaced by newer and more modern plans and procedure, each substitution bringing the political processes closer to the body politic, shrinking the efficacy, and narrowing the influence of partisan organization everywhere. The transition is already apparent in the ambiguity as to the real purposes and duties of the convention in question, and this uncertainty will be more and more pronounced as time goes on and the innovations increase.

It is not destructive of the partisan principle while it mimifies the man and merges him in the mass he is supposed to stand for. Nothing may crush out the idea of partisan choice and loyalty and integrity, save the sham principle and false doctrine that are sometimes paraded, to hide the self-seeking cult behind it.

## POWER OF PRESIDENT.

There seems to be a good deal of perturbation in Congress just now as to the "power of the President": a theme that receives its daily quota of discussion, and remaining, perennially unanswered despite the reasoning and the law brought to bear upon the analysis. The answer lies in the personality of the President; and to both friend and opponent he is about the real thing when it comes to the "unknown quantities", therefore the sum of response is not likely to be measurable until he retires and a composite review may be had of his administrative career.

The fact of the business is, Theodore Roosevelt has never exceeded his constitutional authority for an instant; he has simply used prerogatives that have lain dormant for generations because of the indisposition of his predecessors to employ the functions he has dared to make use of from the hour of filing his official oath. What he has done in an extraordinary way has usually been left for Congress to initiate, and do, when it could not remain impassive and indifferent any longer, and its surprise at the wholesale obtrusion of his free hand in these great premises, is very genuine.

Under present conditions, the people of the United States are not in the least scared of the limits to which Mr. Roosevelt shall proceed under his conception and use of the powers vested in him and his office.

## LOST, OR STRAYED.

Does anyone know what has become of the recent and popularly approved resolution of the Astoria Chamber of Commerce to establish, legally, and finally, the Port of Astoria? It looks very much as though the thing were lost, or so widely astray as to be beyond reach and avail.

There is a growing sentiment in this man's town that there is altogether too much "interested" interference with the public movements initiated here; too much "inspired" opposition on the part of representative citizens who are truer to the extraneous trust than to the home concern, and it is more quietly resented now than it will be a little later. It is shameful, if this thing is true, and it bears the color of truth.

Astoria will never amount to anything if she is to be sold out every time she strives to accomplish some advantage for herself such as this; and when she wakes to the situation there is going to be some pretty plain speaking. This hint has its value, whatever appraisal it may receive at the hands of those toward who mthe doubt is directed.

## EDITORIAL SALAD

The Spring opens like a season of good crops and the news so far is entirely favorable. It has been a long time since American farmers had a bad year, and one reason is that they are constantly growing more proficient in their business.

Magdalena Bay is so full of sharks that it is dangerous for bathing. If the sixteen battleships, after prolonged target practice, leave the bay without a collection of good shark stories, their nature story tellers will fall far short of what is expected.

Two new battleships, the New Hampshire and Idaho, and two armored cruisers, the North Carolina and Montana, are near completion. The navy is moving along in business like fashion in the shipyards as well as on the ocean.

That fine old tradition, the maple sugar crop, is reported to be unusually good this Spring. A statement from the pure food department on the subject of corn sirup flavored with hickory chips would be timely, and it is hoped, reassuring.

Uncle Sam is so accustomed to pay the freight in dealing with Cuba that it is easy to guess how the expenses of the present provisional government will be settled. But a third call on American generosity would not meet with the same indulgence.

Instead of sitting quietly at home listening to the music of "one clear call for me," as he expected to do, Colonel Bryan is alive to the fact that he has opposition in the East and North, and that it behooves him to get out and hustle for some more delegates to the Denver convention.

## NO MORE VOLUNTEERS.

England Disbands Her Militia Forces Forever.

LONDON, April 1.—On the stroke of midnight Great Britain's volunteer army became a thing of the past, after an existence of 49 years. The volunteer forces throughout the country celebrated "the last post" at their respective headquarters by dinners and other celebrations, the festivities, however, taking on somewhat of a sad character owing to the disappearance of the old Association.

Most of the gatherings were attended by veterans and friends of the service who exchanged old memories. As midnight struck there were stirring scenes as to who would be the first to enlist in the new body, many hundreds being thus recruited.

Pains in the back and side may come from the kidneys or liver. Lane's Family Medicine, the tonic-laxative, and a great kidney and liver remedy, will give relief.

## NONE BUT THE RICH

Emperor's Desire for Wealthy Ambassador Intelligible.

## SOCIAL POWER AND ABILITY

Any State Will Find It Worth While to Provide Its Representatives Abroad With Ample Means When Its Ambassador is not Wealthy.

LONDON, April 1.—The Daily Telegraph in a long editorial on the Hill incident emphasizes the remarkable change which is being gradually effected in the character of the American diplomatic service, and especially in relation of that service to Germany which it says has been revolutionized in the past decade. As a result of this, says the paper the American embassy in Berlin has acquired a unique prestige which is none the less effective for diplomatic effectiveness because of depending partly upon methods not of a political kind.

From this view point the Telegraph thinks the emperor's desire for a wealthy ambassador is at least intelligible. With reference to Dr. Hill's attainments the paper says:

"Merit enjoying primacy so laudable in the abstract may some time find itself in a portion of considerable discomfort. Social power and ability to entertain on a large scale mean a valuable asset to any embassy. Most men's imagination is dominated by symbolism. For instance, the historic mansion which Whitelaw Reid is able to make the center of splendid hospitality and princely dignity becomes as it were a standard monument conveying unawares to those who pass it a new sense of the weighty fact that the great republic is no longer a new country but one establishment among the greater powers of the world.

Any state of the future will find it worth, while to provide its representatives abroad with ample means when its ambassador do not possess wealth of their own.

## IT'S YOUR KIDNEYS.

Don't Mistake the Cause of Your Troubles—An Astoria Citizen Shows How to Cure Them.

Many people never suspect their kidneys. If suffering from a lame, weak or aching back they think that it is only a muscular weakness; when urinary trouble sets in they think it will soon correct itself. And so it is with all the other symptoms of kidney disorders. That is just where the danger lies. You must cure these troubles or they may lead to diabetes or Bright's disease. The best remedy to use is Doan's Kidney Pills. It cures all ills which are caused by weak or diseased kidneys. Astoria people testify to permanent cures.

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## Before the People

Cards of Candidates in the Coming Campaign.

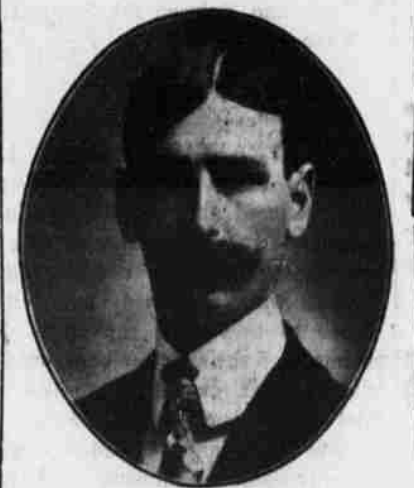


VOTE FOR J. A. GILBAUGH

A tPrimary Election April 17, for Republican Nomination for

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## VOTE FOR



C. A. Leinenweber

For Republican nominee for Representative to the Legislature. Primary election April 17, 1908.

## For Congress,

T. T. GEER

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## To The People.

In submitting my name to the electors of the Fifth Judicial District for their consideration for the office of District Attorney of said District, I desire to say that if I am nominated and elected, I will, during my term of office, honestly, vigorously and impartially perform all the official duties pertaining to said office, without fear or favor, endeavoring always to accord to every individual, irrespective of party, politics or personalities, a square deal under the law, keeping always uppermost in my mind the interests of the tax payers of said District and State.

E. B. TONGUE.

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